

# The Hongkong Telegraph.

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SATURDAY, DECEMBER 8, 1888.

SIX-DOLLARS  
PER QUARTER

## Banks.

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.  
PAID-UP CAPITAL ..... \$7,500,000.  
RESERVE FUND ..... 4,000,000.  
RESERVE LIABILITY OF } 7,500,000.

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LONDON BANKERS—LONDON AND COUNTY BANK.

HONGKONG—INTEREST ALLOWED ON CURRENT DEPOSIT ACCOUNT AT THE RATE OF 2 PER CENT. PER ANNUM ON THE DAILY BALANCE.

ON FIXED DEPOSITS—  
For 3 months, 3 per cent. per annum.  
For 6 months, 4 per cent. per annum.  
For 12 months, 5 per cent. per annum.

LOCAL BILLS DISCOUNTED.  
CREDITS granted on approved Securities, and every description of BANKING and EXCHANGE business transacted.

DRAFTS granted on London, and the chief commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan.

T. JACKSON,  
Chief Manager,  
Hongkong, 4th September, 1888.

RULES OF THE HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK.

1.—THE BUSINESS of the above BANK will be conducted by the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION, on their premises in Hongkong. Business Hours on WEEK-DAYS, 10 to 1; SATURDAYS, 10 to 1.

2.—SUMS LESS THAN \$1, OR MORE THAN \$500 AT ONE TIME WILL NOT BE RECEIVED. NO Depositor may deposit more than \$5,000 in any one year.

3.—DEPOSITORS in the SAVINGS BANK having \$100, or more, at their credit may at their option transfer the same to the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION on fixed deposit for 12 months at 5 per cent. per annum interest.

4.—INTEREST at the rate of 3 1/2% per annum will be allowed to Depositors on their daily balances.

5.—EACH DEPOSITOR will be supplied gratis with a PASS-BOOK, which must be presented with each payment or withdrawal. Depositors must not make any entries themselves in their PASS-BOOKS, but should send them to be written up at least twice a year, about the beginning of January and beginning of July.

6.—CORRESPONDENCE as to the Business of the Bank, if marked ON HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK BUSINESS, will be forwarded free by the various British Post Offices in Hongkong and China.

7.—WITHDRAWALS may be made on demand, but the personal attendance of the Depositor or his duly appointed Agent, and the production of his PASS-BOOK, are necessary.

FOR THE HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION,

T. JACKSON,  
Chief Manager,  
Hongkong, 1st September, 1888.

THE NEW ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION, LIMITED.

AUTHORISED CAPITAL ..... \$1,000,000.  
PAID-UP CAPITAL ..... 500,000.

Registered Office, 40, THREEMILEBROOK STREET, LONDON.

BRANCHES IN INDIA, CHINA, JAPAN AND THE COLONIES.

THE BANK receives MONEY ON DEPOSIT, Buys and Sells BILLS OF EXCHANGE, Issues LETTERS OF CREDIT, forwards BILLS for COLLECTION, and Transacts Banking and Agency Business generally, on terms to be had on application.

INTEREST ALLOWED ON DEPOSITS:

Fixed for 12 months, 5 per cent. per annum.

ON CURRENT DEPOSIT ACCOUNTS 5 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.

APPROVED CLAIMS on the ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION, in Liquidation, or the BALANCES of such claims, purchased on advantageous terms.

AGENCY OF THE NATIONAL LIFE ASSURANCES, SOCIETY.

E. W. RUTTER,  
Manager,  
HONGKONG BRANCH.

NOTICE.

HONGKONG & WHAMPoa DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

SHIPMasters AND ENGINEERS

Are particularly informed that (Under their Arrival in Hongkong)

COMPANY'S FOREMEN will be at hand to SUPERVISOR REPAIRS, &c., to the HEAD OFFICE, NO. 4, QUEEN'S ROAD, CENTRAL, HONGKONG.

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## Intimations.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LTD.

WE HAVE NOW IN STOCK THE FOLLOWING

C. I. G. A. R. S.

MARIA CRISTINAS,

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PERLA DEL ORIENTE, Londres.

Damas.

" " " Señoritas.

NUEVO HABANO in 50s and 100 Boxes.

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Imperiales, Cardenes, Imperiales, Exceptionales Prensados, Príncipes, Corridos, Señoritas, Marquesitas, Flor de Prensados,

Paquitas, Regalia Británica, Regalia Inglesa, Chiquitos, Brevis, and

BOUQUETS DE WATSON.

SWEET CAPORAL and OLD JUDGE CIGARETTES.

A. S. WATSON & Co., Ltd.

THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY,

Hongkong, 29th October, 1888.

## The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, SATURDAY, DECEMBER 8, 1888.

The utter absence of either *esprit de corps* or discipline among the inferior European officers in Victoria Gaol which was shown by the batch of summonses and cross-summons heard at the Police Court on Thursday afternoon by Mr. Pollock, is peculiarly significant, in view of the publicity which the affairs of that institution have obtained during the last few months. It has been evident for a long time, despite the secrecy with which departmental investigations have been conducted, that the working of the Gaol is done by a staff of men, most of whom notwithstanding the example set by the Superintendent and leading officials, may truly be characterised as ignorant, lazy, and imperious ne'er-do-wells, deficient in almost all the qualities which men in their position ought to possess.

Many of the Europeans have been beach-combers, the waifs and strays of the rump mills in Taiping-han; the alleged Portuguese are as a rule most feeble specimens of manhood; and there is a sprinkling of Indian and negro turnkeys whom one would think hardly fitted to hold the power with which they are invested. Formerly

—up to the appointment of Major-General Gordon, in fact—the administration of the Gaol was notoriously corrupt, and the staff consisted of an even worse class of men than present—men who were almost affluent through the extensive bribery and corruption that prevailed, and who showed the utmost indifference to the proper carrying out of the prison regulations. The corruption is said now to be a thing of the past, but in view of certain allegations on the part of those who ought to know, it is very doubtful whether it does not still continue, at least in a minor degree. The men get \$25 a month and quarters—that is to say they are about the worst-paid white men in the Far East. But they somehow manage to flourish on this pitance; they can dress well, their financial position is generally comfortable, their daily consumption of liquor is untried; and we are assured that one or two maintain select establishments outside. Now all this cannot possibly be done of a bare \$25 a month and quarters, and the only fair inference that can be drawn is that salaries and allowances are in some cases augmented by the old illicit system of "bleeding." With regard to their treatment of the prisoners we have less reliable evidence. The recaptured convicts in the last two big escapes all asserted that they had been ill treated, and some of them added that their escape was connived at. The last allegation may be at once dismissed, but in the face of the evidence adduced on Thursday, which showed that one of the turnkeys tried to drag a Chinese prisoner along forcibly and made another man's foot bleed by gross cruelty, it looks as though there was more than a suspicion in the charge of ill-treatment. It is not Major-General Gordon's fault, we are fully aware, within the last few days half a dozen men have been flogged, suspended or imprisoned for misconduct in this and other directions, which is rather a bad sign out of consideration of the number of men, even though they are of seven or eight hundred different culprits. The trouble arises in the regulations under which these men are engaged. Men who can grow fat and live comfortably on \$25 a month and quarters, and as a result the service is composed of an uncertain motley element, who will not work, and who will go to morrow to a country so strange as to be as ignorant as the savages similar to that of the

good men from England, with Police pay and prospects of pensions, would compose a much stronger and far more reliable staff, and one which the Superintendent would be far less harassed by than the present nondescript collection of gaolers. In a prison filled with Chinese criminals—though a lot of them have committed no worse an offence than hawking without a license or playing *po-iu*, a lot of tact and *savoir faire*, as well as firmness and integrity, is required. In the face of the evidence in the Police Court cases above alluded to, and judging by the conduct of many of the men before the magistrate, there would seem to be very little of either tact, judgment or integrity to be found under the present regime. Since the authorities are giving some attention to gaol matters, and have but lately increased the pay of the officers, we submit that they might usefully consider the advisability of enlisting on agreements a staff of steady Englishmen, men who would make Victoria Gaol an Institute for reformation as well as punishment.

## TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter.)

### THE SUAKIN AFFAIR.

LONDON, December 6th.

Lord Randolph Churchill moved the adjournment of the House, protesting against involving England, with inadequate forces in Suakin, and urged the Government to negotiate with the Arabs. Mr. Gladstone supported the motion, but the Secretary of State for War, in reply, said that General Grenfell had wired that he was confident the present force was sufficient. The motion was rejected by a majority of 42 votes.

### LOCAL AND GENERAL.

LAND, in Wall street, New York city, is worth \$14,300,000 an acre. They are not buying it by the acre, however.

THE yellow fever has visited the United States eighty-eight different years. The first known case of the fever in America was in 1693.

THE question whether brides should be required to obey, as well as to love and cherish, in the marriage ceremony, is not worth discussion. They won't do it.

DION BOUCICAULT's famous play "The Shaughraun" will be performed at the Theatre Royal, City Hall, this evening, by the American Musical Comedy and Opera Company.

We believe Adam was the first man to start the extraordinary theory that marriage is a failure. But it must be borne in mind that Adam's opportunities for observation, outside of his own family, were very limited.

FOREIGNER—Why do you call that man "Honest Jim?" American citizen—Well, sir, it's this way: He was once Treasurer of this country and had a chance to run off with a whole year's bootie, but the honest old fellow took only \$150,000.

DENT's famous lion in front of the City Hall is dead in want of a coat of whitewash. Here is a glorious opportunity for our leading local philanthropist, to earn fresh laurels at a very trifling outlay. And by the way, we might just as well remind the humourist who supplied the carrots and cabbages the other night that lions are not vegetarians.

The benefits derived from the use of ripe fruit, an article of diet are generally understood, but an English medical journal calls renewed attention to the matter. Apples, pears, plums, apricots, peaches, goose-berries, and grapes are spoken of as being, at the very summit of excellence as human food, for they possess the essential conditions of pleasantness, digestibility, nutriment, and medicinality. Apples are particularly commended.

A FOOTBALL match will be played on the causeway bay ground, under Association rules, on Monday next, the 10th Inst., between the Club (Colours) and the E. Company, 5th Regiment (Whites), the play to commence at 4 P.M., sharp. The following team will represent the Club:

J. P. French, R.E. A. H. MacLean (Captain), J. H. Anderson, G. A. Atkinson, C. Evans, E. W. Maitland, G. W. Dickson, F. V. Haydon, H. H. Woodcock, R.A. E. Scott (Reserves).

COMMON-SCHOOLS multiply very slowly in Russia, probably because of the great poverty of the people. In Moscow in 1869 there were only five such schools, with 250 pupils; in 1879 only eighty schools, with 4,000 pupils; now it is believed there are twice that number in a city of several hundred thousand inhabitants. St. Petersburg had sixteen schools, with 800 pupils in 1879, and now has about two hundred and fifty schools for a million of people.

In "Hood's Comic Annual" for 1859, we find the following admiration of the phonograph: "In this century of inventions, when a self acting drawing paper has been discovered for copying valuable objects who knows but that a young Nipper, or Daguerré, or Herschel, or Fox-Talbot, may find out some sort of Bowditch writing-paper to repeat whatever it hears?" Similarly, about a quarter of a century before the invention of the telephone and the phonograph, the editors of the "Advertiser" reported the meetings of their club "by means of an imaginary reporting box," which was always placed upon the table, and faithfully reproduced all that was said by the members.

We read that Ilma Di Muraka, the Hungarian Nightingale, who delighted the musical world some years ago with the exquisite quality of her voice, is now living in a single poorly furnished room on Washington Square in New York; an impoverished companion, Trouble, has seriously affected her life. Di Muraka was engaged by the management of the American Conservatory of Music to go to the United States as teacher of musical culture for \$10,000. When she arrived she found that she was unable to fulfil her promise because of mental derangement. A compromise was made by which she received \$1,000, and was then engaged to sing in the conservatory. Washington Square, N.Y. Ilma Di Muraka is a consummately young companion, but her humours are singularly strange. She has a very decided musical talent, and she is a good singer, but she is not a good actress, and her voice is not strong enough for works, and as a result the service is composed of an uncertain motley element.

It is rather a bad sign out of consideration of the number of men, even though they are of seven or eight hundred different culprits. The trouble arises in the regulations under which these men are engaged. Men who can grow fat and live comfortably on \$25 a month and quarters, and as a result the service is composed of an uncertain motley element.

Four Queen's Road Central roast-dog dealers were fined \$10 each this morning for having their balance a little off colour when Inspector Stanton examined them. A Wing Wo Street marine-store dealer paid \$10 for the same reason.

To-MORROW morning, between 9 and 10.30 o'clock the steam-launch carrying the Bethel flag will call alongside any vessel hoisting code pennant C to convey men ashore to 11 a.m. service at St. Peter's Seamen's Church, returning about 12.30.

TREK Agents of the Canadian Pacific Steamship Company inform us that the steamer *Albany* left Vancouver for Japan and this port on the 4th inst. and the *Assassina* left Nagasaki also bound for this port at 8 a.m. to-day. The *Albany* arrived in New York on the 4th inst., eight days after arrival in Vancouver.

THERE will be quite a plethora of amusements in the colony this evening. The Musical Club give a smoking concert in the St. Andrew's Hall, the American Musical Comedy and Opera Company perform "The Shaughraun" in the Theatre Royal, and Chiariini has a big show at Bowrington. The newspaper critic will have "a good time."

"Set a thief to catch a thief!" is a mighty good proverb, but it doesn't seem to catch on among the Chinese. A crowd of watchmen and others left Tai-kok-shui yesterday to search a boat at Sam-shui-po, in which some property that had been stolen was supposed to be hidden. They ought to have been able to find it, for the gentleman who had lifted the said property had kindly volunteered to go and show them where it was, but they sought in vain. Whereupon certain of the villagers in Sam-shui-po said cutting things about their visitors, and accentuated them by banging them over the head with cans &c. His Worship wanted to hear more about this very funny case, and accordingly remanded it.

THE accountant in a Chinese druggist's shop in Wellington Street was awakened about three o'clock this morning by hearing a sound like that of a "villainous centre-bit" at the door. He got up and, like Brer Rabbit, "lay low." In a bit he saw a yellow hand push the bolt back with a penknife, and open the door, and he commenced to take a look at the man in the game himself, by seizing the intruder. He was stabbed, in the hand, however, and had to let him go, but one of the myriad *lukongs* who float about at night was near by, and the man was soon captured. He tried to make Mr. Pollock believe that he was only calling for a plaster which he had previously ordered, but his Worship pointed out that, even with due allowances for Chinese eccentricity, calling at 3 a.m. for a blister was a little thick. The gaol doctor will find him in little and plasters for the next six months.

A LONDON correspondent states that Mr. Nash's recently published "Life of Lord Westbury" is finding a good many readers. As Sir Richard Bethell, Lord Westbury was, when at the Bar, renowned for his bitter speeches. Curiously enough, the two following well known stories of Sir Richard are not included in Mr. Nash's life:—"Asked why he had refused a Vice-Chancellorship, Bethell replied: 'Do you suppose that I, who am making £20,000 a year by taking fees at the Bar, would take £5,000 a year to sit up there, and listen to my learned friends talking noise?' "At another time, when he and Sir Henry Keating were the Law Officers of the Crown, Sir Richard Bethell (who undervalued Sir H. Keating's ability as much as he magnified his own) was told that the solicitor was running about the combers of the House of Commons in order to obtain Sir Henry's signature, jointly with his own, to an opinion, upon which Sir Richard exclaimed, "Good Heavens! he has my signature." What more can the man want?

IT is reported that the Chinese owned launches seized the other day by Customs cruisers were duly licensed by the Hongkong Government, and that the cruisers which made the seizures were vessels that constantly use this harbour, where they enjoy something very like men-of-war privilege. This is a matter which demands a thorough investigation, and we trust that the Acting Governor will at once adopt measures to put a stop to the Hippo of Canton's cruises making this British colony a base for their piratical raids on vessels carrying on legitimate traffic under British protection. The Hippo has no official status whatever, he is merely a private speculator who pays the Chinese Government a certain amount annually, so that in reality his fleet of launches constantly lying off the Fraya have no right to be there, unless they conform to the Harbour regulations which apply to all other launches. It is about the time the Hongkong Government initiated a firm policy to keep the Chinese Customs in their proper place—and their proper place is neither in Hongkong waters, practically blockading the port, nor in Queen's Road Central.

IT will be remembered that a sensation was caused in shipping circles in Japan a few months since when it became known that Forbes, the mate of the American schooner *Nereid*, ran away with that vessel during the absence of the captain on shore at Guam in the Mariana Islands. After being lost for a considerable time the *Nereid* and her piratical mate eventually turned up at Nagoya or Montevideo Island, in the Caroline Group. Our correspondent states that Forbes admitted having stolen the schooner, and that he was quite tired of cruising aimlessly about. As he could make nothing out of the vessel he was anxious to dispose of her, and offered her for \$600. This offer was accepted by Mr. Thomas Day, agent for Messrs. Henderson and McFarland, of Auckland, N.Z., and the schooner is now cruising around the Carolinas, but carefully avoiding the parts under Spanish authority. Forbes, after receiving the plunder, left the Carolinas in a boat, and has not since been heard of in that locality. He probably shaped his course for Australia.

LAST night saw the last of the very popular Sergeant's Balls which the old "Beefbacks" have given or can give. The farewell festivities took place in the Victoria Barracks, which had been adorned with unusual care and taste for the occasion. The front of the building was gay with Chinese lanterns, and the corridors and staircase had their bannisters entirely concealed by bright flags and ensigns. The ball-room presented a very pretty appearance—it was entirely draped in bunting, even to the ceiling, all around, the walls were trophies of brisinga, bayonets, surrounding the names of the engagements which won for the old Regiment its sturdy title, and at the head of the room the yet unclothed colours of the Battalion floated over the orchestra. A few people accepted the invitation of the warrant officers, sergeants, and sergeants' mates to witness the entertainment.

Colonel Anderson being the guest of the evening. Dances commenced punctually and a really splendid affair it was.

THE "Hood's Comic Annual" for 1859, we find the following admiration of the phonograph: "In this century of inventions, when a self acting drawing paper has been discovered for copying valuable objects who knows but that a young Nipper, or Daguerré, or Herschel, or Fox-Talbot,

will be able to invent a machine to do the same thing?"

AS it leaves the Chinese do really "link the cake"; they will alight a horse from under his rider almost. Not long since they skipped two or three miles of telephone wire leading to the Peak, which was bad enough, but their latest exploit is worse. At the nearer end of the Tytan tunnel two large copper strainers, worth about \$200 each, were let into the cement, deeply embedded, in fact. Yesterday these were stolen. A watch is being kept to prevent them from stealing the Tunnel itself.

THE men-of-war men had a run ashore yesterday, with judicious and unfeeling results to a few of them. Sergeant Witchell was busy in the afternoon looking them up, and went into the Seaman's Club in the course of his search. A London man named Banton was there, and he arrested him for straggling, but one of his mates, named Fogarty, seemed inclined to make a running resistance, and, telling Banton to follow his example, knocked Witchell down.

Things were rough for a minute or two, but in the end Witchell emerged covered with dust and victory, conqueror of both men. He had lost a dollar in the struggle, though—Fogarty denied the assault, but declined to call witness. The case against him was remanded, the other chap being sent aboard, along with a batch of *Porpoise* and *Impudent* defaulters.

### CRICKET.

58TH REGIMENT v. HONGKONG CIVILIANS.

This match was commenced, yesterday afternoon, both sides being strongly represented. Winning the toss the Civilians took first innings, and a merry dance they led their opponents, remaining in possession the entire afternoon, the score at gunfire standing at 205 for 9 wickets. E. J. Coxon b'ing not out for a capital innings of 49. Sercombe Smith hit hard for 26, and S. L. Darby (22) C. S. Baiff (21), G. S. Coxon (18), and C. Platt (17) materially contributed to swell the Civilians' score.

Play was resumed this forenoon, when the Civilians' score was increased to 232, Coxon carrying out his bat for 61.

The Regiment made an excellent start, their first two batsmen, Graham and Higginbotham, scoring 31 and 33 respectively, but with the exception of Johnson (28) none of the others made any stand and the innings closed for 133. Wilson took 5 wickets for 29 runs and E. J. Coxon 4 for 68. The Regiment commenced their second innings in a minority of 99, and had lost 3 wickets for 32 when rain stopped the play.

Scores as under:—

### 58TH REGIMENT.

FIRST INNINGS. SECOND INNINGS.

M. D. Graham, b. C. S. Baiff, 3 b. Wilson, 3

E. J. Coxon, 31 b. Wilson, 25 b. Wilson, 19

Major Churchill, 3 Darby, 21 E. J. Coxon, 19

C. H. Johnson, 12 Coxon, 12 Darby, 19

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To-day's  
Advertisements.

G. CHIARINI'S ROYAL  
ITALIAN CIRCUS AND  
MENAGERIE.



OPEN  
TO-NIGHT,  
AND  
EVERY NIGHT,  
At 8, commencing 9 P.M. sharp.

THIS institution does not require bombastic Announcements. Its Vast Pavilions, first class Exhibition in all its Branches, Comfortable Accommodation, Brilliant Illumination, and a Splendid Menagerie of Formidable Animals, speak for themselves.

PRICES OF ADMISSION:-  
Boxes with 6 Chairs \$2.00  
Single Chairs in Boxes ..... 2.00  
Dress Circle Chairs ..... 1.50  
Carpet Seats ..... 0.60  
Gallery ..... 0.40

Children under 9 and Soldiers and Sailors in uniform Half Price to all parts of the house. Reserved places w/ Carpeted Seats and Gallery will be provided for Ladies only.

N.B.—SATURDAY AFTERNOON,  
GRAND EXTRA PERFORMANCE  
Doors open at 3 P.M., on Saturday, and every evening, half an hour before Performance. Specially for the Accommodation of Children.

L. MAYA,  
Secretary.

Hongkong, 8th December, 1888. [1238]

THE SCOTTISH ORIENTAL STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR HONGHWA AND BANGKOK.  
THE Company's Steamship.

"CHOW FA!"  
Captain F. W. Phillips, will be despatched for the above Ports, on TUESDAY, the 11th instant at 8 A.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

YUEN FAT HONG,

Agents.

Hongkong, 8th December, 1888. [1245]

U. S. MAIL LINE.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.  
THROUGH TO NEW YORK, VIA OVER-LAND RAILWAYS, AND TOUCHING AT YOKOHAMA, AND SAN FRANCISCO.

THE U. S. Mail Steamship

"CITY OF SYDNEY"  
will be despatched for San Francisco, via Yokohama, on SATURDAY, the 29th December, at 3 P.M., taking Passengers and Freight for Japan, the United States, and Europe.

Through Bills Lading issued for transportation to Yokohama and other Japan Ports, to San Francisco, and Atlantic and Inland Cities of the United States, via Overland Railways, to Havana, Trinidad, and Demerara, and to ports in Mexico, Central and South America, by the Company's and connecting Steamers.

Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers.

First-class Fares granted as follows:-

To San Francisco.....\$200.00

To San Francisco and return } 350.00  
available for 6 months.....}

To Liverpool.....325.00

To London.....320.00

To other European Points at proportionate rates. Special reduced rates granted to Officers of the Army, Navy, Civil Service, and the Imperial Chinese Customs, to be obtained on application.

Passengers by this line have the option of proceeding Overland by the Southern Pacific and Connecting Lines, Central Pacific, Northern Pacific or Canadian Pacific Railways.

Passenger who have paid full fare, re-embarking at San Francisco for China or Japan (*vice versa*) within one year will be allowed a discount of 10 per cent. This allowance does not apply to through fares from China and Japan to Europe.

Fare will be received on board until 4 P.M. the day previous to sailing. Parcel Packages will be received at the Office until 5 P.M. same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.

Consular invoices to accompany Cargo destined to Points beyond San Francisco, in the United States, should be sent to the Company's Offices in Sealed Envelopes, addressed to the Collector of Customs at San Francisco.

For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 50A, Queen's Road Central.

C. D. HARMAN,

Agent.

Hongkong, 8th December, 1888. [1246]

THE KOWLOON HOTEL

THE KOWLOON HOTEL will be OPENED to the PUBLIC on and after WEDNESDAY, the 12th instant, on which date all Visitors will be made cordially welcome as Guests.

Wines and Spirits of the best quality only kept.

Two First-Class English and one American Billiard Tables, also a Tennis Lawn.

The HOTEL is situated about five minutes walk from the landing.

Arrangements have been made with the proprietor of the steam-launch "Morning Star" to run special night trips last boat leaving Kowloon at Midnight.

Fares 10 cents each way.

C. L. ROUGH,

Manager.

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To-day's  
Advertisements.

THEATRE ROYAL,  
CITY HALL, HONGKONG.

THE AMERICAN MUSICAL COMEDY  
AND OPERA COMPANY.

THIS EVENING,  
the 8th December, 1888.

Boucicault's Greatest Irish Drama, in 3 Acts,  
"THE SHAUGHRAUN."

Cast of Characters.

Father Dolan's niece, in love - Miss G. WHITEFORD.

Claire Floliott (a Sligo lady)

Arie O'Neale (in love with Robert)

Mrs. O'Kelly (Conn's Mother)

Bridget Madigan (a Keener)

Nancy Malone (a Keener)

Captain Molynoux (a young English Officer)

Robert Mffollot (a Fenian Exile)

Father Dolan (Parish Priest)

Corry Kinchella (a Squireen Spy)

Harvey Duff (a Police Officer)

H. M. IMANO.

Sergeant Jones (of the 41st)

Rilly (Blackleg in Blackleg's pay)

the Shaughraun, the soul of every fair, the life of every wake, and first diller at all wedd'ngs.

As played by him in America and Australia.

IRISH LOVE-MAKING.

THE RETURN'D CONVICT.

CONN AND HIS DOG "TAITERS."

THE ESCAPE.

THE GREAT WAKE SCENE.

DEATH OF HARVEY DUFF.

Hongkong, 8th December, 1888. [1246]

Notices of Firms.

NOTICE.

I HAVE this day commenced Business as a SHARE and GENERAL BROKER.  
HECTOR SAMSON,  
Office, No. 6, Queen's Road Central,  
Hongkong, 1st December, 1888. [1223]

CHINA TRADERS' INSURANCE  
COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

I HAVE this day RESUMED CHARGE  
W. H. RAY,  
Secretary.  
Hongkong, 6th December, 1888. [1241]

CHINA AND JAPAN TELEPHONE  
COMPANY, LIMITED.

O N and after to-day Mr. A. SANDFORD has taken over the Company's Business at this Point.

H. F. HAYLLAR,  
Acting Agent.

I HAVE this day taken charge of the Company's Business and all communications should be addressed to me.

A. SANDFORD,  
Agent.

Hongkong, 1st December, 1888. [1224]

Intimations.

WANTED:

A YOUNG MAN seeks a situation in a HONG SCHOOL, or any position of trust. Good reference. Apply to

F. S.,  
c/o the Office of this paper.  
Hongkong, 7th December, 1888. [1244]

THE STEAM LAUNCH COMPANY,  
LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE SECOND CALL OF TEN DOLLARS per Share is due on the 20th day of December, 1888.

Shareholders will please pay the amount due upon their Shares to the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

By Order,

A. G. GORDON,  
Secretary.

Hongkong, 30th November. [1207]

THE HONGKONG HIGH-LEVEL TRAMWAYS COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE FOURTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the above-named Company will be held in the HONGKONG HOTEL, on FRIDAY, the 21st instant, at 11 O'CLOCK FORENOON, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, and Statement of Accounts to the 30th November, 1888, and of declaring Dividend.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 8th to the 21st instant, both days inclusive.

MACEWEN, FRICKEL & CO.,  
General Managers.

Hongkong, 1st December, 1888. [1212]

THE EAST-BORNEO PLANTING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that an EXTRA-ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the above-named Company will be held at the HONGKONG HOTEL, on WEDNESDAY, the 10th instant, at 4 P.M., when the abovementioned Resolution, which was passed at the General Meeting of the Company held this day, will be submitted for confirmation as a Special Resolution.

RESOLUTION.

That the Company do purchase for the sum of \$25,000 a selected block of 500 acres of land in British North Borneo in the vicinity of the Company's present land and for that purpose and to provide for the development of the said land that the Capital of the Company be increased by the issue of 100 Shares at \$50 per share of which \$5 shall be paid up on allotment, \$15 per share on the 1st March, 1889, and the balance at such time as the Board shall determine.

On confirmation of the above Resolution the following proposal will be submitted to the shareholders—That the new shares be allotted amongst the Shareholders registered on the books of the Company on the 20th December, 1888, in proportion of one new to every three old Shares, and that as to fractional parts of any such new Shares which may accrue to any allotee, the Directors shall invite public tender for the Shares composed of such fractional parts and sell the same to the highest bidder and any profit which may arise from such sale shall be distributed in due proportion amongst the several allotees of such fractional parts.

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